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The first "Frankenburger" source saw ~~X~~ OBERFÄHRICH SCHWEN Von BOHNERGAM and Untersturmführer PETER, both Baltic. That was in October 1943 at Berlin. Charley HAGEDORN and source had a conversation in October 1944 with Oberst ~~X~~ BEFEL, chief of the general staff of the 15th Army Corps at BESIGON, and he told them that he was working with some BRANDENBURG Division groups. A few days later source met the officers in charge of these groups: ~~X~~ Hauptmann TRAEGER, ~~X~~ Oberleutnant KRISTIAN (?) and Oberfähnrich SCHWEN.

Despite the fact that he was merely an Oberfähnrich, SCHWEN was without a doubt the head of the group. He is about 1.75 tall, average build but very athletic, brown wavy hair almost black, wears glasses.

SCHWEN speaks excellent French, knows France and the French people. He comes from the PALZ but was a student in Switzerland. His mother is Swiss, from BASLE. He also speaks the Swiss dialect.

He worked especially in the Midi, at MARSAILLE, NICE, and especially DIGNE. The members of his groups are principally HFF members in German uniform. He doesn't take the SS seriously: he even sent a report to HITLER on the behavior and work of the SS in France.

Nowadays "BRANDENBURG" is called "SS JAGD-ABTEILUNG".

NOTE BY JIGGER:

When informant speaks of "Obersturmführer" and "Untersturmführer" in the BRANDENBURG Division in 1944, I think he is in error. At that time the BRANDENBURG Division had nothing to do with either the SS or the SA. It had only the military ranks of the army.

I know Hauptmann ~~X~~ TRAEGER. He was chief of the 9th Co., stationed at AVIGNON. This company was composed largely of Frenchmen ~~X~~ GARNIER ~~X~~ TOGNO DI PORCO and others) and fought the Maquis between AVIGNON and NICE.

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